Extensions of Remarks - THANKING MR. DANIEL G. DOODY FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE HOUSE

110th Congress - Second Session

HON. ROBERT A. BRADY of Pennsylvania in the House of Representatives

Thursday, June 19, 2008

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, on the occasion of his retirement on July 6, 2008, we rise today to thank Daniel (Dan) Doody for over 23 years of combined federal government service within the Department of Defense and the U.S. House of Representatives.

Prior to his tenure with the House, Dan spent approximately 15 years of his career in the Department of Defense with responsibilities ranging from program control officer and staff engineer to various management positions supporting complex systems development activities.

In January 2000, Dan came to the U.S. House of Representatives, within the Office of Chief Administrative Office, **CAO**, as the Deputy Associate Administrator for House Information Resources (HIR). In this role, Dan managed the **CAO**'s technology planning and budgeting activities as well as overseeing systems development projects and operations.

In August 2001, Dan took overall responsibility for HIR, an organization of approximately 270 staff. This role was quickly tested when in September 2001 the nation experienced the tragic events of September 11th followed quickly by the House Office Building anthrax contamination and subsequent closures in October 2001. Immediately thereafter, Dan was assigned the critical role of Program Manager for the House's Business Continuity Disaster Recovery (BCDR) initiatives. The focus of this program was to dramatically improve the House's business continuity planning and recovery capabilities so that House essential support services were easily restored or transitioned to backup systems in the event of an emergency.

Dan continued his duties as HIR Associate Administrator until February 2006 at which time he became the Deputy **CAO** for Operations. In this role, Dan had responsibility for the operations of HIR, Administrative and Financial Services, Workforce Services, and Business Continuity. Dan's attention to detail, skill in developing working relationships at all levels of the House, Legislative Branch, and industry, as well as his uncanny ability to discern good ideas and implementation approaches from the bad, Dan was a voice of reason whose recommendations and opinions were always sought after and held with the highest regard.

Dan has dedicated his life to making the federal government and, in particular, the **CAO** and the U.S. House of Representatives a better and more secure place to work. After his retirement from the government, Dan's plan is to return to private industry. On behalf of the entire House community, we extend congratulations to Dan for his dedication and outstanding contributions to the U.S. House of Representatives. We wish him many wonderful years in fulfilling his retirement dreams.